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# How Can a Woman's Club Co-operate with the Public Charities Association of Pennsylvania?

I. By the most important and definite service of securing in your immediate neighborhood at least ten new members of the Public Charities Association of Pennsylvania, six of whom should be men. A general sympathy with the aims of the Association and a contribution of from one to twenty-five dollars are the sole requirements for membership. We are devoting February, 1915, to a special membership campaign. The primary purpose of this campaign is to gain members rather than large subscriptions. Can you help by sending us, before March 1st, at least ten members?

II. By making a careful study of the public charity problems of your immediate neighborhood. Where are the insane, feeble-minded, epileptic, blind, deaf and dumb, tuberculous, dependent children, prisoners, etc., of your community cared for? Assuming that your institutions are trying to do all in their power for the unfortunates, are there not specific ways in which you can help them? Learn the facts. Give a helping hand where you can.

III. By organizing a class for the special study of one of the following subjects:

**Public Charities in Pennsylvania;**

**A Social Program for Pennsylvania;**

**The State's Responsibility for the Insane and How It Is Being Met;**

**Feeble-mindedness: What the State is Doing for Its Care and Cure;**

**The Penal and Correctional Institutions of Pennsylvania;**

**How Can Pennsylvania Improve Its Penal System?**

**The State's Appropriations to Charities: Methods and Results;**

**What is Pennsylvania Doing for Dependent, Defective, and Delinquent Women?**

**A State Program for the Prevention of Insanity, Feeble-mindedness, and Crime;**

**The State Industrial Home for Women and How  
It Can Best Serve Its Purpose;**

**The Village for Feeble-minded Women of Child-  
bearing Age and How It Can Best Serve Its  
Purpose;**

**Inebriates: What Can the State do for Their  
Care and Cure?**

The Public Charities Association will be glad to send  
lines for such courses, bibliographies, etc., and otherwise  
aid such organized study in every way in its power.  
Average citizen knows very little of Pennsylvania's  
public charity work, and yet this costs the State about  
a million dollars a year. Is it not time for you to  
learn more about it?

V. By arranging a meeting this winter in your neigh-  
hood, at which a speaker representing the Public  
Charities Association of Pennsylvania can tell the story of  
Pennsylvania's public charity work. If you provide an  
audience of men and women, the Association will send you  
a speaker.

VI. By securing the approval of the State Federation's  
Committee on Legislation and then actively supporting  
the legislative program of the Public Charities Association  
of Pennsylvania. A brief summary of this program is en-  
closed herewith. When you have taken action, notify the  
representatives of your community at Harrisburg in both  
Senate and House of Representatives, and also inform the  
Public Charities Association.

VII. By seeing to it that the chairmen of your committees  
having anything to do with the field of Public Charity in  
Pennsylvania immediately get and keep in touch with the  
Executive Secretary of the Public Charities Association,  
Robert D. Dripps, 403 Empire Building, Philadelphia.

VIII. By making suggestions to the Public Charities  
Association with a view to increasing the effectiveness of  
its work.

IX. By making the utmost possible use of the Public  
Charities Association in endeavoring to meet the local  
public charity problems of its community.

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